

#### GIVE THE PEOPLE HOMES.

Mr. Carl Brannin, representing the Homestead Loan and Land League of Missouri, was in Mexico a few days ago in the interest of the program of that organization, which is to stop speculation in land and to make it easy for the people of the State to secure homes. Petitions are being circulated by Mr. Brannin to place these measures on the ballot next year.

He declared that with millions of acres of tillable land in Missouri held out of use, chiefly for the rise in value which comes to such lands, with the high cost of food products, and with the increasing difficulty which one faces in securing a home, either in the country or in the city, it is time for the people of Missouri to endeavor to change this state of affairs for one which will stop the holding of land out of use for a profit and make it easy for people to get homes. He said that the land speculator was really a greater enemy to the welfare of the nation than the food speculator, because he kept from cultivation the prime source of all food.

The program of the Homestead and Land League was explained. It provides that two constitutional amendments be submitted to the people of Missouri in November, 1918. The first declares that the State shall raise the bulk of its revenues, and likewise all cities and subdivisions, from a tax on the unimproved value of land, and the second measure provides that out of such revenues a homestead loan fund shall be established which shall loan money to citizens of Missouri who may want to acquire homes. No loan to be for more than \$3,000, the rate of interest to be three per cent and the time to be 20 years.

Mr. Brannin declared that the tax feature of the program would result in making a man use his land or sell it to some one who would use it, since it would be unprofitable for one to hold such land idle and have to pay the taxes on it. At the same time the man who was making good use of his land would in most cases really pay less taxes than he had been paying, because of the exemption of improvements from taxation.

The loan feature would make it possible for the thousands of tenant and mortgaged farmers in the State to secure homes of their own and to make improvements on farms. Mr. Brannin's scheme from our way of thinking looks like a good one. All parts of the State are more or less afflicted by the land speculator. If he can't use his lands, or won't use them, compel him to shake loose to somebody that will.

#### DAUGHTERS PLEDGE HELP.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy held their State Convention at Columbia last week. The convention sent a telegram to President Woodrow Wilson pledging their support in the present war crisis.

The following delegates from Mexico were present: Mrs. W. W. Pollock, Miss Emma McPheters, Misses Hattie and Carrie Kennan, Mrs. F. R. Sanford, Mrs. F. N. Howe, Mrs. George Blowers, Miss Mary Nichols, Miss Mamie Dix, Miss Lottie Cornett, Miss Miriam Glandon, Mrs. J. S. Denner, Mrs. W. E. West, Mrs. E. McD. Bridgford.

#### SIXTIETH BIRTHDAY.

Mr. W. A. Hendrix was surprised Monday evening, the 15th inst., by his family and friends with a birthday surprise on his arrival home from work. He found a table nicely spread with lots of good things to eat, ten families being represented, 34 persons in all present. May Mr. Hendrix live to enjoy many more happy birthdays was the wish of all his guests. A GUEST.

#### CANADA NEWS LETTER.

Mrs. Fannie Appleman of Clark is visiting the home of M. T. Garrett.

A. B. Brooks is enjoying a visit from old friends in Iowa.

Canada School has the following enrollment: Floid and Opal Portwood, Calvin, Ernest and Lucia Pink, James, Raymond and Goldie Adkisson, Ethel, Russell and Lester Brooks, Lottie, Lora and Clifford Crawford, and Kenneth and Francis Orr.

Mr. Portwood is busy baling straw.

Lee Brothers of Mexico got some of our good horses the other day.

Thousands of bushels of oats are moving to market from north of here.

Our district harvested many bushels of fine white navy beans.

Cane has all been harvested in good shape.

Scarcity of help on the farm is causing the farmers to fall behind in their work.

Mrs. Nora E. Crawford left last week to visit her daughter, Mrs. Cora Hickman, at Columbia, who has been quite ill for several weeks.

#### NORTH MOLINO LETTER.

North Molino, Oct. 15.—Oscar Martin and family were Sunday guests of Ira Mayes and family.

Mrs. P. R. Cawthorn and brother, Frank Pierce, visited their niece, Mrs. W. W. Dowell, Friday.

J. A. Cawthorn and mother and uncle, Frank Price, motored to Honeywell to visit James Waldon and family. They spent Wednesday and Thursday there.

There were acres of cane that was not harvested when the big freeze came, but the farmers kept right on caring for it.

George Baker and sister, Miss Anna, of near Perry came over Sunday and made their sister, Mrs. F. Martin, and family a pleasant call. They were trying out their new Overland.

Octave Ellis and family were Sunday visitors in this neighborhood, also Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cawthorn of Littleby Station, and Frank Cawthorn and family of Thompson were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Cawthorn.

Ira Mayes sold his big fine mule to Albert Price Saturday. The consignment of mules was shipped east.

Mrs. Harvey Heizer of Dalton, Neb., is the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Forest Berry.

The entertainment at Midway Church Sunday night was a grand success. The collection amounted to over \$11.

#### A FOLK IS NEEDED.

No, Joe Folk will not be needed—If Gov. Gardner and State's Attorney McAllister will brave along with their good work against the grafters over at Jefferson City. The grafters and bribe-takers and their friends seem to be just like they were ten years ago when Joe Folk was in the State House—they wanted to keep up their grafting, undisturbed, and their friends, "loyal party men," got mad, too, if anybody dared to tell anything on them, or even talked too much about it. It would "hurt the party."

The Jefferson City Capital-News says it fails to get the point of these "friends," and comments as follows: Here is a psychological question we would like to have some philosopher answer:

Why is it that when a crook is exposed, loyal party men down the official, or individual, who uncovers the crookedness, instead of denouncing the man who commits the crime?

Whenever any rottenness is uncovered, politicians hold up their hands in holy horror because of the exposure and denounce the parties who made the story of the crookedness public?

They do not denounce the man who brought the disgrace upon the party, but the fellows who make it known rather. We can't understand this.

It would seem that honest politicians of all parties would rejoice when the grafter was brought to the bar of justice and that the men who uncovered crime would be honored. That the reverse is so often true puzzles us.

#### MRS. WAKEFIELD.

Mrs. Mary Frances Wakefield, 77 years old, died last Thursday morning at the home of her step-son, J. J. Wakefield. She had been ill but a short time, dying from the effects of a stroke of paralysis.

Mrs. Wakefield lived in Mexico a long time. She was a native of Callaway county. Born in 1840. Was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McClintic. In 1888 she was married to W. H. Wakefield in Audrain county.

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county. Mr. Wakefield died 17 years ago. One brother survives her—Henry McClintic, of Little Rock, Arkansas. The following step-children survive: Hugh L. Wakefield of St. Louis; Charles L. Wakefield of Washington; Joseph Wakefield, J. J. Wakefield, Mrs. Macey Stowers, and Miss Janie Wakefield, all of Mexico. Mrs. Wakefield was a splendid Christian woman, a member of the Methodist Church. Many warm friends mourn her passing.

So Gov. Gardner is to call the Legislature together to fix the tax rate. The Legislature should have attended to that in the regular session last winter and saved costs.

Martin F. Donnelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Donnelly, southeast of Mexico, has been with the army boys at Camp Funston. He appealed to President Woodrow Wilson to be exempted from service, that he might continue his assistance to his father in their operations on the farm. The father is not robust and healthful, besides Martin thought he could do his bit just as well on the farm as in the army.

The committee of Mexico women to sell Liberty Bonds disposed of \$22,500 worth Monday. That's success for you. But why not buy the Bonds, if you have the surplus money? It's fine for you as an investment and it's helping the Government in this great war crisis.

You eat your cake and have it, too, when you buy a Liberty Bond.

The Imperial German Government does not want you to buy a Liberty Bond. The United States of America does want you to buy a Liberty Bond. Which will you please?

### Real Estate Transfers

Edith C. Hess to Myrtle Maple Newland. Warranty Consideration \$1900.

Lot 1, Blk 6, Bland's Second Add to Vandallia.

Mary E. Waters to Myrtle Maple Newland. Warranty Consideration \$300. Lot 2, Blk 6, Bland's Second Add to Vandallia.

Lewis W. Roberts to Peter Eichel, Jr. Warranty Consideration \$200. 24 ft by 100 ft in Blk 3 Orig. Rush Hill.

B. R. Middleton to S. P. Guthrie. Warranty Consideration \$1400. Pt of W 1-2 SE of 25-51-9 between C. & A. and Wabash R. R.

David Caldwell to R. A. Wilson. Warranty Consideration \$1. Lot 6, and Pt of Lot 5, Blk 11, Ladd's extended to Mexico.

R. A. Wilson to David and Beattie Caldwell. Quit-claim consideration \$1. Lot 6, and Pt of Lot 5, Blk 11, Ladd's Add extended to Mexico.

W. D. Roe to Offie B and Clara E. Roe. Quit-claim Consideration \$5. Lot 9, Blk 9, Morris' Add to Mexico.

Offie B. Roe to W. D. and Cora Roe. Quit-claim Consideration \$5. Lot 10, Blk 9, Morris Add to Mexico.

Ross White to J. V. White. Warranty Consideration \$1 and other consideration. Lot 1, Blk 9, Morris' Add to Mexico.

John A. Brooks to Susan D. Grigby. Warranty. Consideration \$2850. S 1-2 of Lots 1, 2 and 3 Blk 12, Orig. Vandallia.

William F. Atkinson by Trustee to James C. Mundy. Trustee's Deed. Consideration \$100. Lot 1, Blk 1, Bates Add. Also Lot 3, Blk 4, Lakenan Barnes So. Side Add.

E. J. Kidd to A. C. Whitson. Warranty Consideration \$1100. W 1-2 of W 1-2 of Lot 22, Mrs. Sparks' Add to Mexico.

Ross White to J. S. and Nettie Teague. Warranty Consideration \$1 and other consideration. Pt of Lots 1 and 2, Blk 7, Orig. Mexico.

Francis M. Daniel to Wm. D. Woodward et al. Warranty. Consideration \$1 and other consideration. W 1-2 of SW of NW of Sec 31, and NE of SE Section 36, all in 50-10.

William D. Woodward et al to Annie Pickett. Warranty Consideration \$1 and other consideration. Pt of S 1-2 of Lot 8, in Survey 44, between Jackson street and Promenade street.

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J. R. JESSE, Trustee.

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#### MR. JOHN WILFLEY.

John Wilfley, 23 years old, died at his home near Skinner last Friday. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilfley, and was a nephew of Mrs. Alex Carter of Mexico. About a year ago he became afflicted with measles and never fully recovered.

His untimely death is a great shock to his many friends.

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#### ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri, County of Audrain, ss. In the Circuit Court, November Term, 1917.

Orson P. King, . . . . . Plaintiff,

vs.

Lottie E. King, . . . . . Defendant

The State of Missouri to the above named defendant Greeting.

Now on this October 12th, 1917, comes the plaintiff in the above entitled cause and files with the clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court in vacation his petition duly verified by affidavit herein, among other things plaintiff alleges that defendant herein, Lottie E. King, is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and can not be served with the ordinary process of law in this State.

It is therefore ordered by the Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court, in vacation, that publication be made herein notifying the non-resident defendant that plaintiff has commenced suit against her in the Circuit Court of Audrain County, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of divorce from said defendant, on the grounds of general indignities and desertion, and now, you, said non-resident defendant, are hereby notified of the pendency of this suit, the object and general nature thereof, and unless you be and appear at the next regular term of the Audrain County Circuit Court to be begun and held at the Court House in Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri, on the fourth Monday in November, 1917, and on or before the first day of said term answer or otherwise plead to plaintiff's petition the same will be taken as confessed and decree rendered as prayed in said petition.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published in the Mexico Missouri Message, a weekly newspaper published in Mexico, Missouri, and circulated in Audrain County, Missouri, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be more than fifteen days before the next term of said Court aforesaid.

(SEAL) Witness my hand and official seal. Done at office in the City of Mexico, County and State aforesaid, this October 12th, 1917.

E. F. ELLIOTT, Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court.

A true copy from the record.

Attest E. F. Elliott, Clerk.

A. C. Whitson, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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